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If you are having a meeting for a group, Sammy says that you can order sandwiches ahead of time and pick them up. Call 377-3773. The email is [oldpublicmarket@gmail.com](mailto:oldpublicmarket@gmail.com).

## ~ Tidings ~

**Congratulations to our neighbor, Mabel Leon,** who was one of five recipients of the 20th Jim Perry Progressive Leadership Award on Oct. 4 at TASTE in the Omni Hotel, Albany, NY. Mabel was cited for her tireless efforts as a peace activist, Grannie for Peace and Women Against War.

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# Meet the New Kids on the Block - Story & Photo by John Diesso



The Jay Street Mall in downtown has always had fun and interesting shops and eateries. Now, in the past year or so, many more great shops have opened. I have visited all of them and have met the owners. Their shops are delightful and so are they. I thought it would be of interest for our readers of *The Spy* to be introduced to all of them and to learn something of their backgrounds and a little about their stores.

Name of Store - **The Re-Collector** Address -167 1/2 Jay St.

Owner's Name - **Kurt Hellijas**

**Owner's Bio** - Talk about how you got started in your business and what your plans are for your store.

I got started here on Jay St. when I lost my job. After 29 years of working in a metal shop and doing what I'm doing now was a big change but you get used to it. Being on Jay St. is great because I've always shopped here. Now I'm here, and it's been good. I hope to expand and get bigger but that's in the future. Right now I'm happy with what I have. And I hope to be here for a long time. So if you are looking for some old records or CD's, stop in and see me. I also have a variety of other things. Hope to see ya soon. YEA!

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**"Hello, my name is Lucy."** One of the newest members of the Stockade K-9 Association. I have to say this is "one fantastic neighborhood!!!" It is very different from Petersburg, N.Y. where I was found just wandering around. I feel blessed that The Macaulay Girls adopted me from the Humane Society at a Cause Day." Who would think that I would ever be in a Macy's Department store, let alone come home with a young lady instead of a pair of shoes. Shoes. . . That's where my name comes from. Elizabeth's grandmother sings this cute little ditty, "Put your shoes on Lucy, don't you know you're in the city . . .," when we run into each other you'll see how appropriate it is. That and my stunning red coat similar to another lovable Lucy. To my fellow K-9s, I have a riddle for you. What sounds like rustling leaves, that we and our owners should never leave home without? The answer is on page 8.

See you around,  
Lucy



## Dutch Oven

- Beverly Elander

### Mom's Spicy Pumpkin Pie

This wasn't Mom's recipe, but she loved it. I think I found it in a magazine, and judging from the dried brown cellophane tape on the index card, I've had it at least 35 years.

Pumpkin has always been my favorite Thanksgiving/fall pie, but I've always found the filling to be a little bland. This recipe produces a pie that makes you sit up and take notice - and then have a second piece. The color of the filling is a little darker than usual due to the additional spices, and I find that to be part of the appeal.

#### INGREDIENTS

- 1 pie crust (frozen, from a box, or made from scratch - I use the boxed because it is so close to home made)
- 1 1/2 cups canned pumpkin (I've used my own when I had it)
- 1 cup firmly packed dark brown sugar (I use a little less and sometimes combine it with white or light brown sugar)
- 1 T. flour
- 1/2 t. each salt and cinnamon
- 1/4 t. each ground cloves, ground allspice, ground ginger, freshly-grated nutmeg, (and cardamom if desired)
- 1 1/2 cups milk (or cream or half and half or some combination)
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1/2 t. vanilla (if desired)
- whipped cream or good vanilla ice cream

#### METHOD

1. Place rolled out pie crust dough in 9-inch pie plate, crimp edge decoratively, prick bottom of the shell with a fork, and chill for an hour.
  2. In a large bowl, combine pumpkin and dry ingredients.
  3. In a saucepan, combine milk and eggs, heating over moderate heat and stirring constantly until custard is hot but not curdled.
  4. Add custard to pumpkin and stir in vanilla.
  5. Transfer to pie shell and bake in preheated oven (425 degrees) for about 45 minutes until crust is golden and inserted knife comes out clean.
  6. Allow pie to cool for an hour before serving with whipped cream or ice cream.
- (NOTE: I always at least double recipe - one Spicy Pumpkin pie is never enough.)



Schenectady Heritage Foundation and the Stockade Association partnered with Rob Taylor and Duncan Morrison to restore this magnificent leaded glass window in their 111 Union St. home. Cohoes Design Glass Associates, located in the former Holy Cross Church on N. College St. re-installed the window last month. Homeowners whose stained or leaded glass windows are in need of restoration are encouraged to apply for funding to the Foundation. Write to: SHF, P.O. Box 1173, Sch'dy NY 12305. All funding requests are considered on a case-by-case basis.

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**Sunday, December 2, 2012 5pm**

Bring a friend, remind a neighbor and join your fellow Stockaders at The Indian for

**The Annual Christmas Tree Lighting**

followed by shared refreshments at The Dutch Reformed Community Room

**SAVE THE DATE - Dec. 2 "Gifts That Give Twice"**

**Alternative Christmas Gift Fair at First Reformed Church**

First Reformed Church, 8 N. Church Street, will hold its annual Alternative Holiday Gift Fair on Sunday, December 2 from 12pm - 3pm. The fair is being held to increase awareness and support of fair trade products, and gifts that support local and global concerns. Watch for a full list of Fair Trade and non-profit vendors in the December *Spy*. All Stockade neighbors are invited to stop by and shop. Fair trade coffee and chocolates.

**St. George's Church 30 North Ferry St. 374-3161**

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• **Handel's "Messiah," Sun., Nov. 25 3pm.** St. George's parishioner and retired church musician, Don Ingram, celebrates his 80th birthday by playing and directing several movements from Messiah. Please come for the festivities and experience this larger than life performance!

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## Stockade Events note date changes!

Nov. General Assoc. Meeting	Nov. 15
Neighborhood Watch	Nov. 27
Tree Lighting	Dec. 2

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**Sat. Nov. 10, 2pm at SCPL Lee Woodruff** will discuss and sign her new novel **Those We Love the Most**. Brimming with emotional insight and unforgettable characters, this is a novel about family, love, betrayal, forgiveness and how we survive unthinkable tragedy.

**Sat. Nov. 10 1-2:30pm** Saratoga author **James Howard Kunstler** will sign his latest book **Too Much Magic**. With vision, clarity, and a pragmatic worldview, Kunstler argues that the time to begin preparing for the long emergency in America has begun.

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**Fri. Nov. 30, 12-1pm** **Buddy Valastro** aka **The Cake Boss** will sign **Cooking Italian with The Cake Boss: Family Favorites as Only Buddy Can Serve Them Up**. Mr. Valastro will be appearing at Proctor's in the evening, but The Open Door event is **THE opportunity** for fans to meet him and get their books signed.

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